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In re Application of

Tuomo KIVISTÖ et al

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Application No. 09/980,440

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For: ARRANGEMENT FOR TREATING
SOLIDS SETTLED ON THE
BOTTOM OF AN
ELECTROLYTIC TANK

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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Applicant wishes to draw attention to the documents listed on the accompanying Form PTO-1449, copies of which documents are enclosed.

The documents listed in Form PTO-1449 were cited in the International Search Report. A copy of the International Search Report has been received by the Patent and Trademark Office from the International Bureau. See the 371 Acceptance Letter mailed March 8, 2002. Since the International Search Report indicates the degree of relevance, and an English abstract of the Japanese document has been provided, applicant believes that the requirement for a concise explanation of the relevance of any document that is not in the English language has been satisfied. See MPEP 609.

Pursuant to MPEP 609, it is requested that the Examiner should initial Form PTO-1449 to confirm that each document has been considered, and return a copy of the form to the undersigned with the first Office Action.

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